



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 22

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Synopsis: IURC and consumer counselor appointments. Provides that the appointment of an individual by the governor to fill an office or employment in the executive branch relating to the regulation of public utilities is subject to rejection by a majority of the members elected to the Indiana senate. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 10, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Utilities.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning utilities.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
- 2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
- 3 Eighteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred to
- 4 the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
- 5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 5 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
- 6 STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED BY ADDING A **NEW**
- 7 SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Section 25. An individual**
- 8 **appointed by the Governor to an office or employment in the**
- 9 **executive branch relating to the regulation of public utilities may**
- 10 **act in the capacity of that office or employment until the earliest of**
- 11 **the following occurs:**
- 12 (1) **A majority of the members elected to the Senate rejects**
- 13 **the individual's appointment by procedures prescribed by**



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- 1 **Senate rules.**
- 2 **(2) The individual is removed from office as otherwise**
- 3 **provided by law.**
- 4 **(3) The expiration of the term for which the individual is**
- 5 **appointed.**

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